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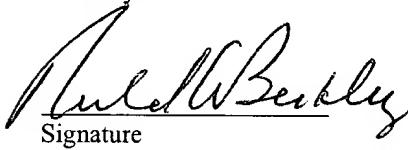
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1. U.S. Patent No. 5,651,888 to Shimizu et al, issued July 29, 1997;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,772,831 to Moro et al., issued June 30, 1998; and

3. U.S. Patent No. 5,792,349 to Buettner et al., issued August 11, 1998.

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